## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ACP African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States

ANCOM Andean Community

APEC Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation

APTA Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement (former Bangkok Agreement)

ASEAN Association of South-East Asian Nations
BPM Balance of Payments Manual (IMF)
BSEC Black Sea Economic Cooperation
CACM Central American Common Market

CARICOM Caribbean Community

CCSA Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities
CEMAC Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa
CEPGL Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries

c.i.f. cost, insurance and freight

CIS Commonwealth of Independent States

COMESA Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
DAC Development Assistance Committee (of OECD)

DRS Debtor Reporting System EAC East African Community

ECCAS Economic Community of Central African States

ECE Economic Commission for Europe

ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

ECO Economic Cooperation Organization
ECOWAS Economic Community of West African States

EFTA European Free Trade Association

EIU Economic Intelligence Unit

ESCAP Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific ESCWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

EU European Union excl. excluding

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FDI foreign direct investment

f.o.b. free on board

FTAA Free Trade Area of the Americas
GATS General Agreement on Trade in Services

GCC Gulf Cooperation Council
GDP gross domestic product
GFCF gross fixed capital formation
GNP gross national product
HIPC heavily indebted poor countries

HS Harmonized System

ILO International Labour Organization IMF International Monetary Fund

LAIA Latin American Integration Association

LDC least developed country
LME London Metal Exchange
MERCOSUR Mercado Común del Sur
MFN most favoured nation
MRU Mano River Union

MSG Melanesia Spearhead Group

NAFTA North American Free Trade Agreement

n.e.s. not elsewhere specified
NIE newly industrialized economies
n.i.e. not included elsewhere

NPISHs non-profit institutions serving households

OA official aid

OAS Organization of American States
ODA official development assistance

OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

OECS Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

OOF other official flows

OPEC Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
SAARC South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SADC Southern African Development Community

SAR Special Administrative Region

SDR special drawing right

SFR Socialist Federative Republic of Yugoslavia (former)

SIDS Small Island Developing States

SITC Standard International Trade Classification
TFYR The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

TNC transnational corporation

TRAINS Trade Analysis and Information System

UMA Arab Maghreb Union

UN/DESA/SD United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Statistics Division

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund
USSR Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
WAEMU West African Economic and Monetary Union

WITS World Integrated Trade Solution WTO World Trade Organization